

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Brandenburg-Briest Airfield

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25X1X 1. On 6 July 1951, Brandenburg-Briest airfield was occupied by 3 MiG-15s parked on the eastern edge, 8 MiG-15s and 2 biplanes in front of the flight control building, and 2 MiG-15s on the western edge of the field. * The planes were covered with green-brown tarpaulins. At about 2:30 p.m., two jet fighters took off in rapid succession and practiced formation flying for about 30 minutes. It rained slightly and the cloud base was about 800 meters. A biplane took off from the field about 7:30 p.m. and landed at 8:30 p.m. during a thunderstorm.

25X1X 2. No structural changes were observed at the field. Farmers moved and removed grass from the field. A wooden hut was being erected at the radio installation with four nests. ** Trucks [REDACTED] were seen at the field. 25X1C

25X1X 3. Between 12:30 and 3 p.m. on 10 July, individual flights by about six to eight jet fighters were made in good weather. No color markings were observed on the rudder assemblies of the planes, contrary to previous observations. Four planes had the red numbers 216, 248, 581, and 947. *** Local flights were mainly made. Several sub-lieutenants who wore service caps with oak-leaves and cuffs with a strip were seen at the quarters in the Landesanstalt.

[REDACTED] 4. Between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 12 July, 16 swept-back jet fighters and 2 biplanes were parked on the northern edge of the field. A swept-back jet fighter with a damaged landing gear was seen on the landing field. One biplane took off at 12:10 p.m. and another at 2:15 p.m. No other flights were made. 25X1C

25X1A* Comment. The airfield is occupied by a fighter regiment equipped with MiG-15s.

25X1A** Comment. This is an Adcock DF station located in the western extension of the runway, south of Briest.

25X1A*** Comment. According to previous observation, most of the aircraft seen at the airfield were MiG-15s with numbers of the 500, 600, and 700 series. The planes had blue and black stripes on their rudder assemblies. It is possible that additional planes of other fighter regiments were temporarily stationed at the field for maneuver purposes.

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